

Summary

This project builds on a three-decade collaboration involving research partners in Africa, Asia, and Latin America as well as National Science Foundation (NSF) supported research on Zika and Ebola. We will be the U.S. wing of a ten country comparative study seeking to examine how social, political, and economic contexts shape responses to disease. Specifically, the component of the project for which funding is being sought will support an online survey exploring personal precautions and understandings of recommendations from health and government officials related to Covid19 and actions taken in response

more burdensome the actions or prohibitions are and the longer they last, the less willing people will be to do them again. Might it be useful for policy makers to know if people in all countries said wearing face masks was too burdensome or if we notice differences in what different groups found to be burdensome or effective.

A combination of structured surveys and semi-structured interviews will be employed. The combination of quantitative and qualitative techniques will ensure we can both make systematic comparisons across groups of people, and also provide a more nuanced understanding of people's anxieties, fears, and behaviors.

Additionally, 50 semi-structured interviews will be completed with